

Executive Proclamation

State of South Dakota

Office of the Governor

Whereas, Sister Jeremy Sitter was born at Reynolds, North Dakota, and later moved to Ipswich, South Dakota, where she graduated from Ipswich High School in 1955; and,

Whereas, Sister Jeremy received a 2-year teaching certificate from Mount Mary College in 1960, and her Bachelor of Science degree in Education in 1968; and,

Whereas, In 1961, Sister Jeremy began her teaching career at St. Joseph School where she instructed little Michael Rounds and his first grade classmates, put up with the shenanigans of that group of students who eventually became the Riggs High School "Class of '73", and, to the amazement of all, she continued to teach until 1964. After a 10-year absence, she returned in 1974 to teach second grade, as well as attend to the social, academic, and faith development of approximately 982 students to date; and,

Whereas, Sister Jeremy's expectations for her students have remained quite high over the 38 years and estimated 9,170 teaching days at St. Joseph School, and she is considered an excellent role model for students and staff; and,

Whereas, Passing on her faith is taken seriously by Sister Jeremy through her work with all second grade parents of SS Peter & Paul Parish in order to assist them in preparing their children to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist; and,

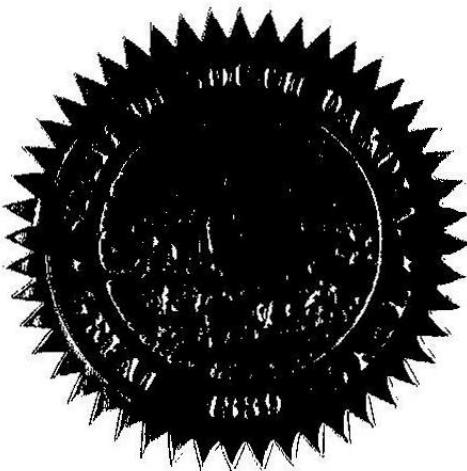
Whereas, Students learn respect for all life in Sister Jeremy's classroom as they have watched geese, ducks, pheasants, and ostrich eggs hatch, and also through the care of the "Garden of Eden" in the hall outside of Sister's classroom; and,

Whereas, Catholic Schools Week is currently being celebrated, and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to join the St. Joseph School students, parents, and staff in recognizing Sister Jeremy for her dedication to her faith and to the teaching profession:

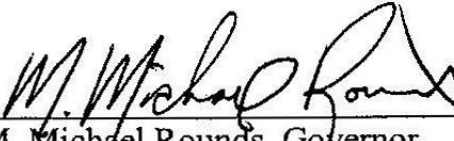
Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim February 5, 2010, as

SISTER JEREMY SITTER DAY

in South Dakota.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Fourth Day of February in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Ten.


M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:


Chris Nelson, Secretary of State